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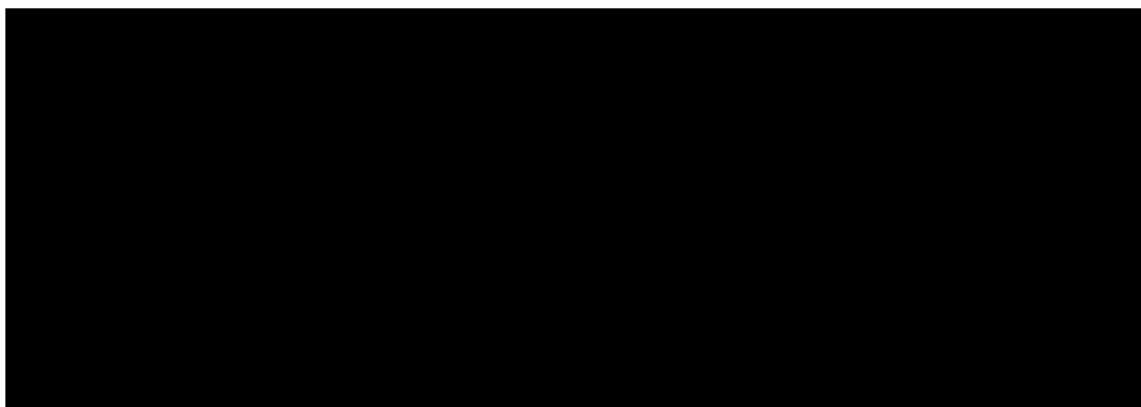
MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

SUBJECT: Request for Opinion

1. It has been the practice of Foreign Documents Division to keep the classification of its reports as low as is consistent with good security practice. Where possible FDD has used devices which will allow wide circulation of information from unclassified material to U. S. industrial, academic and scientific sources for the cumulative benefit intelligence can reap from the aggregate thinking of well-informed specialists. Examples of this practice are as follows:

- a. Some internal reports derived entirely from open publications are published under the cover control "For Official Use Only." These carry the notice that when the CIA cover is removed the body of the report is unclassified.
- b. Other reports are classified overall but carry the notice that individual items not marked classified when removed from the report are unclassified.

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25X1A 2. I will appreciate your opinion as to whether any of these examples are inconsistent with the spirit or letter of CIA Regulation [redacted] or any other government regulation.

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